भी इस पर कार्यवाही लंबित है; और

(ग) सरकार द्वारा इस संबंध में शीघ्र टेलीफोन लाइन उपलब्ध कराए जाने और एस टी डी और आई एस डी सेवाएं आरंभ किए जाने हेतु किए जाने वाले उपायों का ब्यौरा क्या है?

संचार मंत्री (श्री बेनी प्रसाद वर्मा): (क) से (ग) सिंगरौली, वलूण तथा देवसार में आई एस डी/एस टी डी सुविधा पहले से ही उपलब्ध है। 1997-98 के दौरान यह सुविधा चित्रंगी तथा कुसुमी में भी प्रदान करने की योजना है। बशर्ते कि संसाधन उपलब्ध हों।

Electronic Telephone exchan,, Uttar Pradesh

2588. SHRI AKHILESH DAS: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to open new Electronic Telephone Exchanges in Uttar Pradesh during 1997-98;

(b) if so, the places identified for the purpose; and

(c) the number out of them are likely to be set up in District Bulandshahar and Lucknow and the details of places identified in these two districts?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA): (a) to (c) Commissioning programme for 1997-98 has not yet been finalised.

Post and Telegraph office in North Eastern States

2589. DR. B.B DUTTA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in North-Eastern States without post and telegraph offices by the end of the year 1995-96 and till date, State-wise;

(b) the number of villages in the above States having different categories of post offices and telegraph offices at present, State-wise; and

(c) the category-wise number of post offices and telegraph offices proposed to be set up during the year 1997-98, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA): (a) The information is furnished in statement-I. (*see* below).

(b) The information is given in statement-II. (*see* below).

(c) The Post Offices are opened on the norm based justification subject to availability of resources and allocation of Plan targets. The Circle-wise and State-wise allocation of 9th Plan targets is yet to be finalised. The information regarding Telegraph offices is as under:

S.No.	State	(Category-wise)	
1.	Arunachal Pradesh		Nil
2.	Manipur	Telecom Centre	1
3.	Meghalaya	D.T.O.	1
4.	Mizoram	D.T.O.	1
	Nagaland	Telecom Centre	1
5.	Nagaland		Nil
6.	Tripura	Telecom Centre	1